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Sent: Tue 1/13/2015 2:49:35 PM Subject: RE: WL Comms this week

LTE ready.

Let me see Year in Review today, please. Can go up this week.

Litigation comms: still awaiting CNSL/OGC advice.

Week of Jan 19: air report released; letter to PRPs ordering RIM Phase II characterization and retention of Phase I RIM materials; letter/announcement of RIM pyrolysis testing by EPA

Week of Jan 26: plan for release of EPA response to COE advice re IB

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Subject: WL Comms this week

## WL Comms this week:

- 1. LTE drafted and sent to Karl for final review.
- 2. Air Monitoring Data Summary roll out: **Ben**, did you receive the final report from Josh in Air? Is our target release day still Wednesday?
- 3. WL Update Year in Review Thursday or Friday?
- 4. New Item: AG Koster litigation. Need CNSL guidance.
- 5. Dawn Chapman request for EPA to correct Republic Service's use of the word "encapsulate". I've not seen Republic use this language, although I did see two independent experts and Jacob Barker use this language in a recent news story (see below for quote). According to a brief Google News search, the word encapsulate has been used a number of times

in the news media this past year including in the May 9 Post-Dispatch Editorial by the Editorial staff. <a href="http://www.stltoday.com/news/opinion/editorial-epa-urgency-on-bridgeton-should-be-felt-at-west/article\_fb344790-82bc-5e24-ba0b-cac991b91f0a.html">http://www.stltoday.com/news/opinion/editorial-epa-urgency-on-bridgeton-should-be-felt-at-west/article\_fb344790-82bc-5e24-ba0b-cac991b91f0a.html</a> I don't know if there's cause here for EPA to make any statements either way since we don't have a final ROD. **Ben or Brad**, If I've missed something that's been in the news media attributed to Republic please let me know.

http://www.stltoday.com/business/local/health-risks-from-west-lake-landfill-still-unclear/article 23424c2c-9c0d-553f-84b0-33dd5e20623b.html

While the community waits on the EPA to make a decision on a final remedy, both Walensky and Skinner agreed that leaving the waste where it is and encapsulating it, or completely enclosing it, makes more sense than excavation and removal.

"If you just encapsulate it, that would be the easiest thing," Walensky said. "I think I would be more concerned if you disturbed it and you started scooping everything out."

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